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<u>CLAIM SET AS AMENDED</u>

1. (Currently Amended) A communication system with a group registration function, comprising:

a plurality of communication devices each including:

a group mode for selectively registering at least one specific communication partner in each of a plurality of groups, the group mode allowing communication only between among the partners of a first group of the plurality of groups selectively registered and at least one specific communication partner in a second group of the plurality of groups selectively registered; and

a second switch,

wherein after the plurality of said groups has been registered, the <u>second</u> switch being adapted to enable switching of communication from the first group to the second group with a single operation of the <u>second</u> switch.

2. (Currently Amended) A communication system with a group registration function, comprising:

at least a power supply switch and a first switch operable by a user for registering a at least a first group mode and a second group mode,

wherein if said first switch and said power supply switch are turned on simultaneously, the first group mode is registered, and if said first switch is turned on after

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said power supply switch is turned on, the second group mode is registered; and

further comprising a second switch,

wherein after the first and second group modes have been registered, the second

switch being adapted to enable switching of communication from the first group mode to the

second group mode with a single operation of the second switch.

3. (Currently Amended) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 2, wherein full duplex communication is performed between

among communication devices registered in said first group mode, and another

communication type different from said full duplex communication is performed between

among the communication devices registered in said second group mode.

4. (Currently Amended) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 2, further including a second switch for selecting one of a

communications in said first group mode or said and said second group mode,

wherein the one of the communications in said first group mode or said and said

second group mode is selected in response to the turn-on state or the turn-off state of said

second switch.

5. (Previously Presented) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 4, wherein when said second switch is turned on during the

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communication in the first group mode, the communication in the first group mode is

switched to the communication in the second group mode.

(Currently Amended) The communication system with a group registration 6.

function according to claim 4, wherein full duplex communication is performed between

among communication devices registered in said first group mode, and another

communication type different from said full duplex communication is performed between

among the communication devices registered in said second group mode.

7. (Previously Presented) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 2, wherein said first group mode is a group registration mode for

members, and said second group mode is a group registration mode for visitors.

8. (Currently Amended) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 7, wherein full duplex communication is performed between

among communication devices registered in said first group mode, and another

communication type different from said full duplex communication is performed between

among the communication devices registered in said second group mode.

9. (Currently Amended) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 7, further including a second switch for selecting one of a

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communications in said first group mode or a and the second group mode,

wherein the one of the communications in said first group mode or said and said second group mode is selected in response to the turn-on state or the turn-off state of said

second switch.

10. (Previously Presented) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 9, wherein when said second switch is turned on during the

communication in the first group mode, the communication in the first group mode is

switched to the communication in the second group mode.

11. (Original) The communication system with a group registration function

according to claim 2, wherein said power supply switch and said first switch are additionally

provided on a vehicle.

12. (Currently Amended) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 11, wherein full duplex communication is performed between

among communication devices registered in said first group mode, and another

communication type different from said full duplex communication is performed between

among the communication devices registered in said second group mode.

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13. (Currently Amended) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 11, further including a second switch for selecting one of a

communications in said first group mode or said and said second group modes mode,

wherein the one of the communications in said first group mode of said and said

second group mode is selected in response to the turn-on state or the turn-off state of said

second switch.

14. (Currently Amended) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 13, wherein full duplex communication is performed between

among communication devices registered in said first group mode, and another

communication type different from said full duplex communication is performed between

among the communication devices registered in said second group mode.

15. (Previously Presented) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 13, wherein when said second switch is turned on during the

communication in the first group mode, the communication in the first group mode is

switched to the communication in the second group mode.

16. (Previously Presented) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 11, wherein said first group mode is a group registration mode

for members, and said second group mode is a group registration mode for visitors.

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17. (Currently Amended) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 1,

wherein the group mode includes a first group mode and a second group mode, and

wherein full duplex communication is performed between among the communication

devices registered in said first group mode, and another communication type different from

said full duplex communication is performed between among the communication devices

registered in said second group mode.

18. (Currently Amended) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 16, further including a second switch for selecting one of a

communications in said first group mode or said and said second group mode,

wherein the one of the communications in said first group mode or said and said

second group mode is selected in response to the turn-on state or the turn-off state of said

second switch.

19. (Previously Presented) The communication system with a group registration

function according to claim 18, wherein when said second switch is turned on during the

communication in the first group mode, the communication in the first group mode is

switched to the communication in the second group mode.

20. (Currently Amended) A communication system with a group registration

function, comprising:

a plurality of communication devices each including:

a group mode adapted to enable a user to selectively register, among a

plurality of communication partners, at least one or more specific

communication partners in each of a plurality of groups, the group mode

allowing communication only between a first group of the plurality of groups

selectively registered and a second group of the plurality of groups selectively

registered; and

at least a power supply switch and a first switch operable by a user for

registering at least a first group mode and a second group mode,

wherein after the plurality of said groups have been registered, by one of the

communication partners in the first group, a single operation of the switch by the user

designates the second group as additional communication partners, and

wherein if said first switch and said power supply switch are turned on

simultaneously, the first group mode is registered, and if said first switch is turned on after

said power supply switch is turned on, the second group mode is registered;

the plurality of communication devices each further including:

a second switch,

wherein after the first and second group modes have been registered,

the second switch being adapted to enable switching of communication from

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the first group to the second group with a single operation of the second switch.